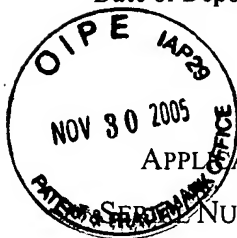


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated June 1, 2005 in the above-identified application. With the extension, this Response is due on or before December 1, 2005. A check in the amount of \$1,020.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3), is enclosed herewith.

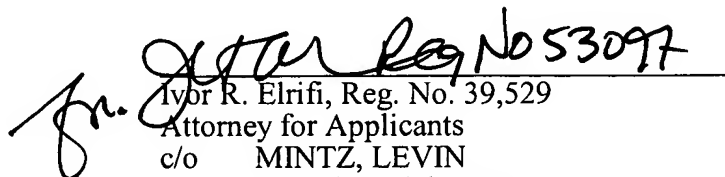
Although Applicants believe that no additional fees are due in connection with this submission, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 23239-537).

Respectfully submitted,

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